

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 8, to reflect the following changes:

-- FIG. 6 shows a first exemplary display 600 of a thread using this fifth viewing level in accordance with an exemplary embodiment of the present invention. Here the left hand frame 602 contains the thread outline 604. It is also to be understood that the left hand frame may also contain initial fragments as shown in FIG. 3. Selecting a particular message on the left-hand frame scrolls the compressed-text form of the thread such that the selected message 608 appears within the right hand frame 606-608. --